



OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY NEWS RELEASE

New Inspector General of the Intelligence Community Releases First Semiannual Report to Congress

(December 18, 2018) Inspector General of the Intelligence Community Michael K. Atkinson is pleased to announce the release of the Semiannual Report to Congress for the period April 1, 2018 through September 30, 2018. The report, mandated by law, summarizes activities of the Office of the Inspector General of the Intelligence Community (ICIG). It is the ICIG's 15th Semiannual Report issued since the office was established seven years ago and the first issued by the new Inspector General, who was both confirmed by the U.S. Senate and sworn in by the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) in May.

This Semiannual Report includes the following highlights:

- The ICIG restructured its Whistleblowing Program to enhance the ICIG's efficiency and effectiveness in handling whistleblower complaints and concerns, particularly with regard to claims of reprisal. This led to the establishment of a Center for Protected Disclosures and a Hotline Working Group to discuss common challenges and best practices.
- The ICIG issued for the first time an ODNI Management Challenges Report summarizing what it considers ODNI's most serious management and performance challenges.
- The ICIG began to take steps to fulfill new responsibilities to report and investigate unauthorized disclosures imposed under Intelligence Community Directive 701, Unauthorized Disclosures of Classified National Security Information (ICD 701), revised in December 2017.
- The Inspector General reinvigorated the Intelligence Community Inspectors General Forum and hosted meetings under a new framework for Forum committees and working groups to present proposals for consideration and decision.
- Nine completed reports detail results of reviews relevant to DNI and Intelligence Community (IC) interests, including IC Freedom of Information Act Programs, ODNI's payment programs, and ODNI's information security program.

[Full Semiannual Report](#)

The Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 established the Office of the Inspector General of the Intelligence Community within the Office of the Director of National Intelligence. The ICIG's mission is to provide independent and objective oversight of the programs and activities within the responsibility and authority of the Director of National Intelligence, to initiate and conduct independent audits, inspections, investigations, and reviews, and to lead and coordinate the efforts of the Intelligence Community Inspectors General Forum. The ICIG's goal is to have a positive and enduring impact throughout the Intelligence Community, to lead and coordinate the efforts of an integrated Intelligence Community Inspectors General Forum, and to enhance the ability of the United States Intelligence Community to meet national security needs while respecting our nation's laws and

reflecting its values. The Forum consists of the twelve statutory and administrative Inspectors General having oversight responsibility for an element of the Intelligence Community. The Chair of the Forum is the Inspector General of the Intelligence Community.

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